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SUBJECT.

Rules for the maintenance of Govt. Lan

To the Heads of Departments
and D.C.s of Districts
No. G. 2129-63 dated 24th Sept: 1908
Laying down certain rules for the
maintenance of Lands supplied to Govt

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Pro: of the Govt. of H.H.
the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Read:-

Government Order No. G2564-602 G.M.50-06-2 dated 26th October 06 inviting the opinion of the Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners of Districts as to the adoption in Mysore of certain rules regarding the maintenance, inspection &c of tents.

2. Replies of the Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners to the above.

Order thereon No. ~~G 2129-65/G.M.13-08~~ G 2129-65/G.M 131-08-1, Dated Bangalore 24th September 1908.

The following rules are laid down for the maintenance of Government tents supplied to the officers of Government.

Translated BB 17/11/08

Kindly translate and send to Gazette. M. 6.11.08.

(1) How to keep tents when not in use.

When not in use, tents are generally be kept in a dry place on stands about two feet high so as not to be damaged by rats or white ants. But during the monsoon, when they are not in use, they should also be spread out in the sun to dry not less than once a month.

(2) ~~Instructions for~~ Pitching and striking tents.

The attention of all officers is invited to the following instructions for pitching and striking tents which will make them last much longer than they would do otherwise. [The failure on the part of any officer to abide by these rules should be promptly reported to Government by the Head of the Department concerned.]:-

I. Tents should on no account be pitched under tamarind trees.

II. When tents are being pitched or struck and the ground is at all muddy, the tent bags or some straw should always be spread below them to keep ~~be keep~~ them clean.

III. Great care must be taken in pitching tents that the pegs for the ropes are placed in a --- straight line with the seams in the fly, so that the strain may be direct and equal and not cross-wise. Ropes should not , therefore, be tied to trees unless they happen to be exactly in the true line, which will seldom be, The safest plan being never to allow them to be tied to trees. If tents bag at the corners, the ropes which pass up inside the fly round the pole must be pulled moderately tight and tied to the corner ropes

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so as to make the strain come on them and not on the ~~canvas~~ Canvas.

IV. In stormy weather, the corner and storm ropes of tents --- should invariably be"bushed". If bushes cannot be procured, as in sandy tracts, a hole should be dug and a tent peg be buried at right angles to the direction of the rope at a depth of a couple of feet, the rope tied to it and the hole filled in and the sand firmly rammed down. It will be found that the ropes so secured will hold in sandy soil far better than if tied to pegs driven in the ordinary way.

V. When rain comes on, all tent ropes should be slightly slackened off, so as to allow for the shrinkage of the ropes and convas when wet. Ropes are otherwise liable to be broken and canvas to be torn

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and it often happens that the shrinking pulls the pegs off the ground, especially in the dry weather when the ground is hard and the pegs have probably not been driven in deep. If this should happen at night, as it frequently does, the fact that the pegs have drawn is likely to pass unnoticed and the tents will be liable to be blown down if the wind should rise.

VI. Care should be taken not to strike and pack tents when damp from rain or dew. A march had -- better be a little delayed than that a tent be spoilt from mildew, which is sure to be the consequence of packing tents when damp.

(3). Repairs of tents.

Repairs found to be required should be completed as early as possible

possible so that all tents may be in perfect order. Whenever any tent in the use of an officer is found to be in need of repairs in consequence of fair wear and tear, an estimate for the cost of such repairs should as a rule be submitted to Government for orders with a full explanation of the necessity. But any damage due to negligence must be paid for by the officer causing it. ~~In all offices to which Government tents are supplied and where the entertainment of lascars on the establishment is sanctioned~~, the officers, ~~in charge~~ to whom such tents are supplied should see that the lascars or other servants entrusted with the care of tents take proper care of the tents supplied to them. Where the appointment of lascars is not specially sanctioned, heads of offices should arrange to get one of the menials attached to the office trained in looking

It should be clearly understood that Government have no intention of supplying lascars for the care & pitching of tents sent in offices where

looking after the tents; the menial so trained ~~are~~ being held responsible for the safe custody and maintenance of the tents.

(4). Report on the condition of tents.

Officers assuming charge of offices to which tents are supplied will report on the condition of the tents taken over by them in form No. 1 appended hereto. The report should be submitted in duplicate through the proper channel to the head of the Department concerned, who will forward ~~X~~ one copy to Government with his remarks, if any, and retain the other for record in his office. Heads of Similarly Departments will submit to Government ~~by the end of~~ a report on the condition of the tents supplied to them ~~by the~~ The attention of all officers is drawn

drawn to the necessity of very careful examination, when handing over or taking charge of Govt. tents. Tents should always be pitched on such occasions and --- closely examined.

(5). Inspection of tents.

Heads of departments and Deputy Commissioners should make it a practice to inspect the tents of their subordinate officers at frequent intervals - at least once a year. An annual inspection of all tents in each District (Judicial Department excepted) should be made by a committee composed of the Deputy Commissioner, the Executive Engineer and another officer selected by them, and a report in form No. 2 appended hereto submitted to Government so as to --- reach the General and Revenue

Secretariat

Form no 1.

Report on the condition of the tents taken over by Mr. _____

While assuming charge of the office of _____ from Mr. _____ on the _____

No	Description of tent.	Date of hoisting to the office.	Condition of the tent.	Remarks by the officer taking charge	Remarks by the Head of Deptt.	Remarks by Govt.
1.	2	3	4.	5	6	7.

Signature.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

READ—

Government Order No. G. 2564-602—G. M. 50-06-2, dated 26th October 1906, inviting the opinion of the Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners of Districts as to the adoption in Mysore of certain rules regarding the maintenance, inspection, etc., of tents.

2. Replies of the Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners to the above.

No. G. 2129-65—G. M. 131-08-1, DATED BANGALORE, 24TH SEPTEMBER 1908.

ORDER THEREON.—The following rules are laid down for the maintenance of Government tents supplied to Officers of Government:—

(1) *How to keep tents when not in use.*—When tents are not in use, they should generally be kept in a dry place on stands about two feet high so as not to be damaged by rats or white-ants. But during the monsoon, when they are not in use, they should also be spread out in the sun to dry not less than once a month.

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(v) When rain comes on, all tent ropes should be slightly slackened off, so as to allow for the shrinkage of the ropes and canvas when wet. Ropes are otherwise liable to be broken and canvas to be torn and it often happens that the shrinking pulls the pegs off the ground, especially in the dry weather when the ground is hard and the pegs have probably not been driven in deep. If this should happen at night, as it frequently does, the fact that the pegs have drawn is likely to pass unnoticed and the tents will be liable to be blown down if the wind should rise.

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(4) *Report on the condition of tents.*—Officers assuming charge of offices to which tents are supplied will report on the condition of the tents taken over by them in Form No..1 appended hereto. The report should be submitted in duplicate through the proper channel to the Head of the Department concerned, who will forward one copy to Government with his remarks, if any, and retain the other for record in his office. Heads of Departments will similarly submit to Government a report on the condition of the tents supplied to them. The attention of all Officers is drawn to the necessity of very careful examination, when handing over or taking charge of Government tents. Tents should always be pitched on such occasions and closely examined.

(5) *Inspection of tents.*—Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners should make it a practice to inspect the tents of their subordinate Officers at frequent intervals at least once a year. An annual inspection of all tents in each district (Judicial Department excepted) should be made by a committee composed of the Deputy Commissioner, the Executive Engineer and another Officer selected by them, and a report in form No. 2 appended hereto submitted to Government so as to reach the General and Revenue Secretariat by the 31st August of each year.

Heads of Departments and District and Sessions Judges will themselves inspect the tents in their charge and submit a report on their condition to Government so as to reach the General and Revenue Secretariat by the 31st August in each year. The Judges of the Chief Court are requested to inspect the tents of the District and Sessions Judges also while inspecting their courts, and report to Government any short-comings in their custody and maintenance.

The responsibility of officers for the proper upkeep of tents in their charge is personal and should invariably be enforced.

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To—The Heads of Departments.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

Exd.—K.P.S.

FORM No. 1.

Report on the condition of the tents taken over by Mr..... .....while assuming charge of the office of..... ....from Mr.....on the..... ...

No.	Description of tent	Date of supply to the office	Condition of the tent	Remarks by the Officer taking charge	Remarks by the Head of Department	Remarks by Government
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Signature.

FORM No. 2.

Report on the annual inspection of tents in the.... .....District for the official year 190 ,
by a committee consisting of.....

No.	Officer in charge		Description of tent	Date of supply from the stores	Date of inspection	Condition of the tent	Additional remarks, if any
	Department	Designation					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Signatures of Committee Members.